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Serial No.: 10/026,215 Based on PCT/GB00/04387
Filed: December 19, 2001
For: Nut and Seat Assembly for Clamp

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Responsive to the Notification of Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application Filed Under 37 C.F.R. 1-53(b) dated January 23, 2002 (copy enclosed), herewith is the executed Declaration together with a check in the amount of \$130.

As required under 37 CFR 1.72(b), enclosed herewith is the Abstract of the invention.

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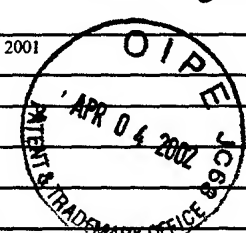
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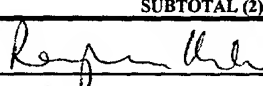
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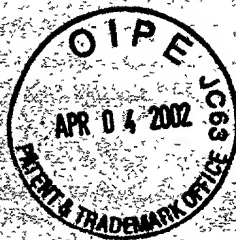
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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- An abstract was not provided for this application. An abstract of the technical disclosure is required under 37 CFR 1.72(b).

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